GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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INCREASE IN PRICES OF MEDICINES LIFE SAVING DRUGS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the prices of medicines/life saving drugs have increased manifold during the current year;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the percentage increase in prices of each medicine in comparison to the last two years;

(c) whether the Government has set up or proposes to set up any high powered committee for review of price control mechanism of medicines;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to keep the prices of medicines/life saving drugs under control?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.